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As an avid genealogist—I receive many newsletters each month. The following is taken from LostCousins Mar 16 2020 enewsletter, with permission granted to include it here. I felt it was the best explanation for Living History I have come across…

Living history

According to Wikipedia "Living history is an activity that incorporates historical tools, activities and dress into an interactive presentation that seeks to give observers and participants a sense of stepping back in time."

But for me, those two words have an alternative meaning. 'Living history' is also about being alive at a time when we know that what's happening around us will feature in the history books - I first had that feeling during the Suez Crisis (even though I was just 6), and it returned at the time of Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962, then again a year later when President Kennedy was assassinated.

More recently I experienced it on 17th January 1991: I was in California and switched on the TV just as Operation Desert Storm launched - it was riveting, but it was also scary, because nobody knew how it would play out..

And we're definitely living history at the moment - the novel coronavirus presents a threat to the world population that we will overcome, but only by pulling together.

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We're all in this together

Unless you live on a remote island and are totally self-sufficient you're at risk of being exposed to the novel coronavirus that is sweeping around the world. No doubt in the years to come there will be some who say that governments should have done this or that - and some of them will be right, but most of them will be ignoring the political realities……

……..

It isn't surprising that some became sceptical about the restrictions imposed on the civilian population in the early months of the war, and that's what governments are trying hard to avoid in the present crisis. Crack down too soon and there is the risk that people will become cynical and careless; delay and people will find a scapegoat rather than hold themselves accountable for their own recklessness. If there was ever a time for us all to act responsibly and encourage others to do the same, this is it!

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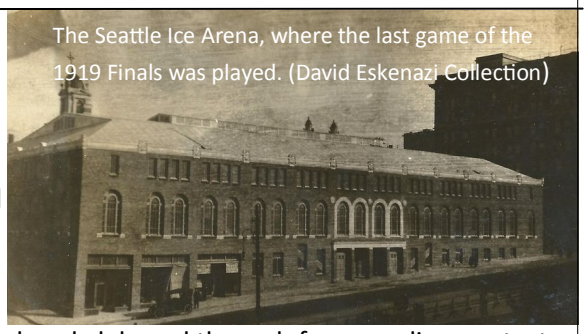
For those suffering from no hockey on television,
I bring you this story ….

When the Stanley Cup Final Was Canceled Because of a Pandemic


The Seattle Ice Arena, where the last game of the 1919 Finals was played. (David Eskenazi Collection)

Midway through a marathon hockey game, in midst of what is still regarded as one of the most intense championship series in the history of the sport, Joe Hall skated off the ice, exhausted and feverish. It was March 29, 1919, and Hall, a 37-yr-old defenseman, was one of the stars of the National Hockey League's Montreal Canadiens were in Seattle to play the Metropolitans of the Pacific Coast Hockey Association on their home ice for the Stanley Cup. The teams had already labored through four grueling contests of the best-of-five series; Game 4 had ended three days earlier with both teams literally collapsing onto the ice following three periods and a pair of overtimes, after no one on either side could muster a single goal.

As Hall retreated to the locker room, Game 5 took a dramatic turn. Montreal, trailing 3-0, tied the game at 3-3, then pushed one last goal past a drained Seattle squad to win 4-3. The series was tied 2-2-1, and the local newspapers began looking toward a deciding game. "Players Are in Poor Condition for Game 6" a headline in the Mar 31 edition of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*. Yet even as it listed Hall and another of his teammates as struck by "high fever," there was no mention, nor even a speculation, about the underlying cause of that fever: A deadly strain of influenza, known as the "Spanish flu," had already struck millions of Americans of all ages, and would end up killing roughly 675,000 Americans.

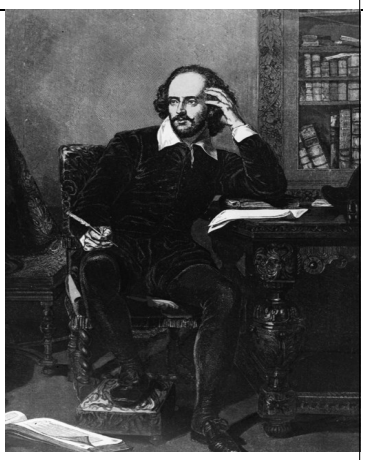
In a way, this was understandable. The flu's second and deadliest wave--which followed a less severe outbreak in the spring of 1918--had peaked the previous fall, as World War I neared its end. In the midst of the panic, a number of sporting events were canceled, and the college football season was largely abandoned. On Jan 28, 1919, Seattle's health commissioner announced that the epidemic was over, though isolated cases would remain. By the time of the Stanley Cup Finals, the concern over the flu had largely faded from the public consciousness, and the front pages.

"By March, it wasn't really in the headlines anymore, and part of that is because people were really anxious to get back to their normal lives." says Nancy Bristow, history professor at the University of Puget Sound and author of *American Pandemic: The Lost Worlds of the 1918 Influenza Epidemic*. "But people were continuing to die, even though the emergency was off."

The presumption of prominent sportswriters like the *Post-Intelligencer*'s Royal Brougham (a key character in *The Boys in the Boat*, Daniel James Brown's best-seller about a crew team competing in the 1936 Olympics) was that both teams had simply worn each other out. But it soon became clear that this was a late and high-profile resurgence of the flu in the United States—and it would claim the life of a prominent figure who was cut down in the prime of his life. It would also result in the only unfinished Stanley Cup Final in history, one that's still memorialized on the trophy's face with both teams' names and three engraved words: SERIES NOT COMPLETED.

Two days later, on the morning of April 1, the news began to leak: Game 6 would not be played at all. By then, five Canadiens players had been hospitalized, along with coach George Kennedy (who never fully got over his symptoms and died a couple of years later); the flu had also hit at least Seattle players, as well. But Hall—who would be voted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1961—was the hardest hit of them all. Five days later, on the morning of April 6, the Post-Intelligencer ran a banner headline: "JOE HALL, FRENCH HOCKEY PLAYER, IS DEAD."

The full story can be read at www.smithsonianmag.com/history/when-stanley-cup-finals-was-cancelled-because-pandemic



William Shakespeare devised new words and countless plot tropes that still appear in everyday life. Famous quotes from his plays are easily recognizable; phrases like "to be or not to be," and "wherefore art thou, Romeo," instantly evoke images of wooden stages and Elizabethan costumes. But an incredible number of lines from his plays have become so ingrained into modern language that we no longer recognize them as lines from plays at all.

In "Good Riddance" // Troilus and Cressida, Act II, Scene I - [Thersites exits] and Patroclus says "A good riddance."

Where would Green Day be without Shakespeare's riposte? In addition to acoustic ballad titles, "good riddance" also applies well to exes, house pests (both human and insect), and in-laws.

Check out this website for more than a dozen more phrases …

https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/60264/21-phrases-you-use-without-realizing-youre-quoting-shakespeare

Arthur Graham Family

Arthur Graham was born 1852, we believe in Cumberland County, England. A conclusive birth or baptism record has not been found as yet. He stated on his marriage registration his father's name is James Graham and both him and his father have occupation listed as Husbandman. A Google search for the meaning of husbandman states "a person who cultivates the land; a farmer." Arthur died in Snowden Twp, Haliburton County in March of 1924.

St. Michael's church

Arthur married Sarah Isabella Bateman on the 14th of November 1877, at St. Michael's Church in the Parish of Bowness, County of Cumberland. Sarah was born 7th December 1852 to William Bateman and Sarah Dixon.

Arthur leaves his wife and two small children to live with his wife's sister and brother in law - Joseph & Agnes Chapman and sets sail on the Sardinian ship. He arrives in Quebec, Canada on 23 May 1880.

Sarah Isabella, age 27 yrs and her two children - John William, age 3 yrs and Sarah Ann, age 1 yr are on the passenger list for the Moravian ship. They arrive in Quebec on 3 July 1881.

The first we find this family in Ontario is the 1891 census—North Victoria Cty, Snowden Twp.
Arthur, 39 yrs, wife Sarah Isabella, 37 yrs old, and children: John William 13, Sarah Ann 11, Louisa Isabella 9 born Snowden, Arthur Bateman 7, Mary Ellen 5, Joseph Marshall 4, Jacob Clark 2 and Elizabeth Virginia 5 months old.

1901 census—North Victoria Cty, Snowden Twp.
Arthur, 49 yrs, wife Sarah, 47 yrs old, and children: John 23, Louisa 18, Arthur 17, Mary 15, Joseph 14, Jacob 12, Elizabeth 10, Chapman 8, Charles 7, and Mossom is 4 yrs old
Sarah, 21 yrs married in 1898 to Richard Needler and is living in Ops Township, Victoria County, Ontario

1911 census—Haliburton Cty, Snowden Twp.
Arthur, 49* yrs, wife Sarah, 57 yrs old, and children: Joseph 24, Jacob 222, Elizabeth 20, Young C. 18, Charles 16, and Mossom 14. James Chapman, 28 yrs old is listed as a boarder, was a son of Sarah's sister Agnes Chapman.
**I believe the census taker wrote the wrong age for Arthur. Perhaps someone else in the household gave the information and didn't know how old he was or the census taker misheard.*
John W. 33 yrs is living next door to his parents and marries his cousin Laura Chapman in 1919 (her parents Joseph Chapman & Agnes Bateman)
Louisa, 28 yrs married Victor Blackwell in in 1905 and is living in Prescott County, Ontario
I haven't located Arthur in the 1911 census. He marries I. Muriel in 1918 and living in Lindsay, Ontario.
We find Mary 25 yrs old as a married woman in Lindsay. She married Alexander Burke in 1905.

Sarah (Bateman) Graham died June 23, 1912 at only 60 yrs of age from Ptomaine poisoning, causing acute gastric enteritis. *Ptomaine poisoning—food poisoning caused by bacteria or bacterial products*
Arthur Graham Sr. suffered a Paralytic Stroke at 75 yrs of age and died 5 days later on 9 March 1924.
Both Sarah and Arthur are buried in the Gelert Cemetery.

Note to descendants of the Graham family - we would love to have pictures of the individuals to augment the certificates that will be housed at the Irondale museum - inside the building known as the Irondale Church. Interested in sharing? Please contact Carol (phone# on cover of this newsletter) —she can scan the pictures right at your home or borrow and return.

Keep Your Eyes

on those events on the back cover.

During this very strange year - many of our events have had to be cancelled.

Stay informed by checking www.IrondaleOntario.ca and www.facebook.com/IrondaleOntario

Ruth Ann Allen
Kinmount neighbour
~ March 23, 2020 ~

Marlene Wren
wife of Larry Wren
~ March 24, 2020 ~

Mike St. Thomas
B.L.C.D. volunteer & Kinmount Legion
~ March 29, 2020 ~

Our condolences to the families and friends of those we lost.

BRENDA'S RECIPE CORNER

TIRAMISU

This is an Italian dessert that we served last February at the Italian Night Dinner. It is a little complicated, but worth the time. Instead of single cups, like we had for the dinner, I would recommend that you make it in a glass casserole dish.

CREAM

3 egg yolks
2 egg whites (the egg whites do not get cooked – I recommend that you use pasteurized egg whites)
1 tsp vanilla
¼ cup sugar
Grated dark chocolate
1 cup mascarpone cheese (it is harder to get mascarpone cheese up here, use 1 cup cream cheese in the brick form and beat it with 2 tb honey and a couple splashes of cream)

SYRUP

½ cup coffee (I used a flavoured coffee)
1 tb sugar
1 ½ oz rum – totally optional

TOPPING

¾ cup whipping cream
1 tb sugar
1 tsp vanilla

24 (approx.) Ladyfingers

Make the syrup.
Mix together and let cool completely.

Make the cream.
Whisk egg yolks, sugar and vanilla in a metal bowl over a water bath of barely simmering water. Whisk continuously until it thickens and when you make an "8" shape ribbon. Whisk in the cheese. Whip egg whites to medium peaks. Fold into yolk mixture.

Make the topping.
Whip cream and stir in sugar and vanilla. You should stabilize the whip cream with 1 tb cornstarch per 1 cup cream. By stabilizing the cream, it will keep in the fridge for several days.

Assembly.
Dip ladyfingers in coffee syrup quickly put on bottom of the dish. Put a layer of half the cream on top of the ladyfingers, sprinkle with chocolate. Add another layer of ladyfingers, cream, and sprinkle with chocolate. Top with whipped cream. Sprinkle with chocolate and refrigerate. *It was so good!!! Thanks Brenda.*

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Something to think about - since the COVID-19 struck

We were flying to the moon
We were finding life on Mars
We were dropping bombs with drones
We were getting bigger cars.

We were building finer homes
Flying out to warmer lands
We were busy buying clothes
We were brushing up our tans.

We were throwing out good food
While we watched the starving poor
We kept burning fossil fuels
And our air became less pure.

We were warned by our Pope
Need to mind our Common Home
Need to watch our Carbon Footprint
Try to save our world from doom.

But we didn't want to listen
And we didn't want to hear
We just watched TV and tablets
Drank our wine and quaffed our beer.

Then Corona chose to visit
We were all caught unprepared
This wee microscopic VIRUS
Has our whole world running scared.

So our hands we keep on washing
And we're careful when we cough
We stand six feet from our neighbour
Cause this virus might jump off.

Now we live in isolation
While our hearts are full of fear
And we fill our fridge and cupboards
Just in case it lasts a year.

Pubs and cafés are forbidden
And we dare not go to Mass
Nursing homes we must not visit
Hospitals we have to pass.

But this enforced isolation
Gives us lots of time to think
Time to clean the kitchen cupboards
Time to make our wardrobes shrink.

Could it be that this Corona
Is a blessing in disguise?
Makes us think about our lifestyle
Makes us open wide our eyes.

We thought we were all important
Greatest beings on this earth
So we used it and abused it
As if it were ours from birth.

But Corona is a challenge
Makes us take a different view
Helps us see what really matters
What it is we need to do.

We must watch out for our neighbour
Doing everything we can
We are all in this together
Let us love our fellow man.

God is with us every moment
Minding us with loving care
Now we know how much we need Him,
Let us talk to Him in prayer.

So Corona, thanks for coming
Truth to tell, we needed you
But don't overstay your welcome
That, alas, would never do!

Sister Maud Murphy, SSL,
Knock, Ireland

A MAN'S WANTS

A young girl who is going to be married asks what a husband wants in his wife. Oh, a man wants his wife to be a happy combination of all the charms & virtues, and then some. He wants her to be a play-girl and a kitchen mechanic; to be a miracle-worker, who can run a house on air; to look like a million dollars without running up bills at the shops; to be a mind reader who will know that he still lovers her even if he never shows that he does; to keep perpetually young and slim, and to never weary of burning incense before him. These are the few modest requirements that a man makes of his ideal wife and that no mortal woman could possibly fulfill. Fortunately, when it comes down to the real brass tacks of matrimony, men are less demanding in reality than they are in theory & are quite satisfied with a simple line of attractions that any wife could hand out if she were willing to take the trouble to do so. A man wants, to begin with a wife who will make him comfortable. Most men marry for a home. They are sick and tired of boarding houses, hotels & restaurants; of keeping up with their laundry, of sending their clothes to be pressed, of looking after themselves; of going back to a dark and lonely room after the

Families don't get together like they used to.
Once the elders (ex: grandparents) die, a lot of times, so does the glue/connections
positive ZONE

"Beauty may draw us by a single hair", as the poet says, but being made comfortable is a hawser that ties a man to his doorpost.

What a man wants is a wife who is easy to live with; one who will laugh off his faults and make a joke of them instead of nagging him about them; one who will keep the atmosphere of the home gay and bright and whose conversation is funny and peppy, instead of being a dirge. A man wants his wife to show him appreciation and tenderness. If she does that, nothing else much matters. She has fed him on the bread of life for which we all hunger. These are some of the things that men want in their wives and any woman who gives them to her husband need not fear age nor sirens.

LOUIE THE LAKE TROUT IS BACK

An old friend, Louie the lake trout, paid researchers a visit in 2019. Each year, staff use gill nets set for a short period of time on spawning shoals to capture lake trout in Lake Opeongo in Algonquin Provincial Park. Since 1949, we've tagged, measured, weighed and aged more than 6,500 fish.

Louie the lake trout has been part of our research longer than most of our staff! When we tagged him in 1995, Louie was at least 10 years old.

How do you age a fish? By using a microscope to examine their scales or otoliths (a bony structure in their inner ear). This reveals seasonal growth patterns, slow in winter and fast in summer, like the growth rings on trees.

Over the past 24 years, Louie has checked in with our researchers 7 more times. We've found him on a few different shoals, but always in the same basin of the lake. Louie's grown 24 cm (9.5 inches) since 1995. He's now at least 34 years old! Lake trout of Louie's length generally hit the scales at 6 to 7 kilos (13-15 lbs).

What have we learned?

Once lake trout are too large to be eaten by other fish, they can live for a long time! When they reach this size in inland lakes, the main cause of death is fishing or old age. In northern inland lakes with little or no angling pressure, lake trout can live more than 50 years. In lakes with lots of angling, the odd trout makes it into its 20s. These wily fellows may have evaded anglers. But it's more likely they've been safely caught and released many times. Like our old friend Louie. Long-term research studies like this help us better manage fisheries across the province.

Find out more about our aquatic research:
www.ontario.ca/page/aquatic-research

Your editor found this interesting so copied it verbatim from an online newsletter her husband receives.

The History of OK

"OK" is the all-purpose American expression that became an all-purpose English expression that became an all-purpose expression in dozens of other languages.

It can be an enthusiastic cheer (A parking spot! OK!), an unenthusiastic "meh" (How was the movie? It was … OK.), a way to draw attention to a topic shift (OK. Here's the next thing we need to do), or a number of other really useful things. It's amazing that we ever got along without it at all. But we did….. until 1839.

There may be more stories about the origin of "OK" than there are uses for it. Many languages have laid claim to being the first. Other stories— it was bakers stamping their initials on biscuits, or shipbuilders marking wood for "outer keel," or Civil War soldiers carrying signs for "zero killed."

The truth about OK, as Allan Metcalf, the author of OK: The Improbable Story of America's Greatest Word, puts it, is that it was "born as a lame joke perpetrated by a newspaper editor in 1839."

OK, here's the story. On Saturday, March 23, 1839, the editor of the Boston Morning Post published a humorous article about a satirical organization called the "Anti-Bell Ringing Society " in which he wrote: *The "Chairman of the Committee on Charity Lecture Bells," is one of the deputation, and perhaps if he should return to Boston, via Providence, he of the Journal, and his train-band, would have his "contribution box," et ceteras, o.k.—all correct—and cause the corks to fly, like sparks, upward.*

It wasn't as strange as it might seem for the author to coin OK as an abbreviation for "all correct." There was a fashion then for playful abbreviations like i.s.b.d (it shall be done), and r.t.b.s (remains to be seen)…… the early ancestors of OMG (oh my goodness) and LOL (laugh out loud).

OK got lucky by hitting the contentious presidential election jackpot. During the 1840 election the "oll korrect" OK merged with Martin van Buren's nickname, Old Kinderhook, when some van Buren supporters formed the O.K. Club. After a few tussles with Harrison supporters, OK got mixed up with slandering and sloganeering. It meant out of kash, out of karacter, all kwarrelling or any other apt phrase a pundit could come up with. It also got mixed up with the popular pastime of making fun of van Buren's predecessor, Andrew Jackson, for his poor spelling. One paper published a half-serious claim that OK originated with Jackson using it as a mark for "all correct" (ole kurrek) on papers he marked.

By the 1870s it had become the standard way for telegraph operators to acknowledge receiving a transmission, and it was well on its way to becoming the greatest American word.

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14 Jan 1898, pg 8

tion on the market.

Accident on the I. B. & O R. R

An Italian laborer named Marci Lampert, employed on the construction work on the I. B. & O., was very seriously injured the other day by an embankment falling upon him. It was now known exactly where he lay and in their endeavors to extricate him his comrades came very near picking him to pieces. Dr. Young was sent for with all possible haste, and although no bones were broken the unfortunate man was found to be in a very precarious condition. He is still alive and may possibly pull through all right.

The Probabilities.

5th Annual Minden Lions Club
Charity Golf Classic
Sunday, July 5th - Blairhampton Golf Club
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~ Irondale Calendar of Events ~

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2020	Unless otherwise noted - Tickets available online at www.IrondaleOntario.ca or call/text 705-457-8438
Sat. April 11	**Wilberforce Maplefest** Event All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast and lots of shopping with the ~~Vendor tables 9 am to 2 pm Wilberforce Community Centre in the heart of Wilberforce~~ Cancelled
~~Sat. April 18~~	**~~Fish 'N Fowl Dinner~~** ~~- Fish, turkey, potatoes, vegetables, salad & dessert. Loonie auction after dessert. $20 pp~~ ~~pm.~~ *B.L.C.D. event with proceeds supporting Irondale's history.*
OPEN 24/7 -	**BOOK NOOK - Social Distancing Friendly—outdoor location — Help Yourself to books and puzzles. New this year—videos and dvds!**
Sun. June 7	~~**First Church Service**~~ ~~- visiting Minister expected. 10 am. Come as you are.~~
Sat. July 4 or 11	**Concert on the Lake** - Great music from the comfort of your own boat, canoe or paddleboard. Music starts at 6:30pm Check *www.sdlca.ca* for more details.
Sat. July 18	**~~Game Dinner~~** - Popular dinner, held at the Gooderham Community Centre. Doors open 5pm, buffet at 6pm. All game served as bite size pieces, you can sample it all. Remember bring loonies for after dinner fun. **NEW LOCATION FOR THIS DINNER** Cancelled *B.L.C.D. event with proceeds supporting Irondale's history.*
Sat. Aug 1 **Sun. Aug 2**	Salerno Devil's Lake Cottage Association's AGM 10 am at the Irondale Community Centre Salerno Devil's Lake Cottage Association's Canoe Race, BBQ and Children's Games check www.sdlca.ca for more details.
Aug 14,15,16	**~~ale Inspirations~~** - the artists that call Irondale home will be showcasing their work at the historical Irondale church. 10 am to 4pm. Please drop by, enjoy their talents. You may just catch one or more of them creating on site. Cancelled
Sat. Sept 19	**Family Harvest Festival** - 11 to 4pm - Vendors, BBQ, displays, tours—all on the property of Irondale's historical church building. NO ADMISSION CHARGED. Hike Haliburton tour starts & ends here as well. *B.L.C.D. event*
Sat Nov 7	**Themed Dinner** held at the Irondale Community Centre. Dinner served from 5 pm til 7pm as long as supplies last. $20 pp Menu still being planned. *You certainly shouldn't go away hungry!* *B.L.C.D. event with proceeds supporting Irondale's history.*

Please continue to monitor our Facebook page to see if other events run as scheduled

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